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Avalanche	French gunboat	—	—	—	—	Hai Phong
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Bugard	French cruiser	3740	29	9000	Capt. Leferey	Shanghai
Chateaufort	French cruiser	8018	18	—	Captain V. Foulds	Shanghai
Comete	French gunboat	625	—	—	Commander Leand	Shanghai
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Redoubtable	French cruiser	1796	10	—	Capt. Vincent	Saigon
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Surprise	French gunboat	—	—	—	—	Hongkong
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Takou	French destroyer	—	—	—	Lieut. Gaillard	Saigon
Vauban	French cruiser	—	—	—	Captain Blondel	Along Bay
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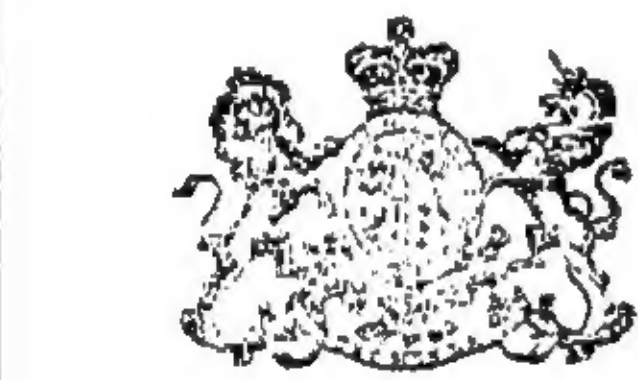
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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9, 1904.

It will be seen from Reuter's telegram that the *China Times*, published in Tientsin, has been the subject of a question in the House of Commons. We do not yet know the enormity of the offence charged against the Editor, Mr John Cowen; but we presume the authorities have been stimulated to take action by the anti-Russian articles appearing in our junior Tientsin contemporary. We have before us a file of the *China Times* for dates between 20th and 26th February, and though exception might be taken, on the grounds of good taste, to the tone of some of the leading articles in those issues and to the nature of the 'news' which appears in the news columns, we confess that we have seen nothing to justify the drastic step of expelling a responsible English journalist from an international settlement. Mr Cowen is a Russianophile. He frankly declares himself to be anti-Russian by his writing. It is not touched in delicate phrase, nor is it calculated to allay the ill-will which is felt at Russia's political and diplomatic methods. Rather is it directed to create bitterness of feeling, and after all, it would be difficult to find any grounds whatever to justify certain acts of Russian savagism in the Far East during the last half of a century. So far, Mr Cowen will have the support of the majority of the Far Eastern Press.

But when he deals with personal acts, his confessions will not be so nearly unanimous. The following is a quotation from an article entitled 'Pricking the Bubble' dealing with the first Port Arthur fight:—

'We always begin badly,' says a Russian over his glass at the public bar. 'The British in South Africa were just as bad.' Imagine the insolence of it! Imagine the coolness of the suggestion, addressed, too, to Englishmen in their own place! Vice-Admiral Stark, commanding the Russian squadron at Port Arthur, is superseded. No wonder. A vigilant watch is kept night and day. 'The whole Russian fleet is now in fighting trim.' These were the reports before the action. 'Like the British in South Africa.' To our shame be it said, an English journal can be found, and at our own doors, to endorse the offensive comparison. Never, think God, in the history of English and British race has such infamy fallen upon it. Winning or losing, advancing or retreating, the British have always stood up and made a fight. They have never taken a thrashing lying down. Not since the days of the Spanish Armada has such a page been written in history as that of Port Arthur. Defeat is one thing, disgrace is another. The Russian fleet is disgraced before the world. We say it, and who shall bid us be silent?

There have been defeats and reverses in the history of English wars, many of them. There was once, two hundred years ago, a British admiral who was accused of cowardice in the face of the enemy. He was tried, condemned, and shot. We trust there is no Admiral Byng in the Russian fleet. It may be sheer incapacity in their case.

In another issue, Mr Cowen states that Mr Frank McCullough, the English editor of the *Nori Kmi*, had gone to Chiaoow and sent a correct report of the Port Arthur fight to the *New York Herald*, and in consequence, had been stopped from returning to the Russian stronghold, having incurred the displeasure of the Russian authorities. A Lieut.-Colonel Newman, said to be an ex-sergeant in the British army engaged to teach English to Russian officers in Manchuria, had been allowed to go to Newchwang to send off a news despatch (presumably to the *Daily Mail*, which we believe he represents). He returned to Port Arthur, so the inference is that Colonel Newman sent a despatch according with Russian ideas; but all other newspaper correspondents are rigidly suppressed by the Russian authorities. This is matter of offence to Mr Cowen, but, after all, the Japanese are as rigorous in their control and censorship of the correspondents—and rightly so. In another issue, the *China Times* replies to an article in the *Courier de Tientsin* criticising the anti-Russian news and comments of the *China Times*, which, we may observe, makes no claim to be an English newspaper but styles itself 'Journal International.' The French journal's comments must have been irritating to the Editor of the *China Times*, as well as hypercritical of the morals of the Japanese refugees sent out of Port Arthur. For we find the English editor saying:—

'The sole point to which it seems necessary to direct attention is the suggestion that the men and women on board the *Wendee* were deservedly ill-treated because the men were spies and the women something worse. No explanation has been given by the Russian authorities of the brutal behaviour extended toward these refugees, and the present apology

is scarcely less scandalous than the ill-usage itself. If the men were accused of being spies, they should have been tried before a properly-constituted court, not knocked about by brutes in uniform, and even if found guilty and imprisoned, a civilized gaoler would have provided that they received food and drink. The barbarism and brutality for which Siberia is notorious and the brutalized world is illustrated at the first outbreak of war. It stands in grim contrast, as we have pointed out, to the humane treatment accorded by the Japanese to the Russian survivors at Chemoilpho. The unwarranted aspersions on the character of the Japanese women are scarcely worthy of notice. Port Arthur, it is true, stinks with infamy; so much to the credit of the Russian officers who rule it. It is not the Japanese who have made it so. There is not a town or colony in Japan or in the Far East that can compare with the fortified ports of Eastern Russia for vice and filth of the worst description. Well may the *Times* speak of this war as a war of civilization, if only because it promises to end in the downfall of the Russian Sodom and Gomorrah, Port Arthur and Vladivostok. Among all this garbage of humanity, the Japanese are the race which have kept themselves clean. Yet even the lowest of women may not be denied food and drink by captors who have any instincts above those of beasts.

More might be quoted, but we have given enough to indicate the tone and nature of the *China Times* towards Russia and everything Russian. Whether it was wise of the Editor to make those comments so near the scene of the fighting and in an international centre like Tientsin is matter of opinion. It is also matter of taste whether it was desirable to do so in this particular manner. But, as we have already said, we see nothing in these comments to justify Mr Cowen's expulsion from Tientsin. It may be that his remarks in subsequent issues were more offensive, and, as being provocative of international ill-will, it may have been considered judicious by the British authorities to step in and prevent its continuance. One may well imagine that the offence was a very grave one, if before H. M. Minister at Peking approved of the action of the Tientsin authorities, still more before that 'proceeding' was approved by the British Government. Until we see the articles complained of, it is impossible to say whether we agree or disagree with this decision. As one authority says, 'The liberty of the Press has always been regarded by modern political writers as a matter of supreme importance,' but it is well to remember that the freedom of the British Press rests upon a constitutional rather than upon a legal foundation. In the British Colonies, the Press is as free as it is in Great Britain; and we can say without fear of contradiction that, as a rule, that freedom is not abused, seldom degenerates into license or resorts to blackmail, and that comment and criticism and the supply of news is regulated less by personal feeling than by a desire to place both sides of a case fairly before the public.

When a newspaper ceases to be guided by this ruling principle, it ceases to be a power for good. No self-respecting journalist would represent his just criticism of abuses, but there are different methods of treatment, as this Colony knows, which gain for a newspaper respect or the reverse. We presume Mr Cowen's deportation was decided upon in the interests of good order, and that full powers to carry this sentence into effect are vested in the British Consul. But we will be astonished to learn that this sentence was passed without giving Mr. Cowen the fairest trial and ample opportunity to justify his action. Fair trial is an inalienable right; and it is the least he could demand. The only other instances of deportation of a journalist that comes within our recollection is the case of the late Mr. Lillie, the Editor and Proprietor of the *Siam Free Press*, who was deported from Bangkok because of his persistent anti-Siam writings in the French interest. Mr. Lillie was refused the protection of the British Government, and, in our opinion, the attitude of the Government was amply justified. This was also the opinion of the Institute of Journalists, which refused to take up Mr. Lillie's case, when, having worked for years in the French interest, he endeavoured to claim the support of British journalists. The Tientsin case promises to be one of international interest, if not of importance, and it will be well to suspend judgment upon it until Mr. Cowen's side of the case has been published, and his attitude is fully understood.

Billiard Match.
Dawson and Stevenson, the champion and ex-champion billiardists, have signed articles to play three matches of 18,000 up (level) for £200. The matches, which are to last a fortnight each, extend over eight weeks. The first commences at Manchester on the 21st inst., the second at Newcastle on April 11, and the last in Glasgow on May 14. They played three similar games in 1902, when Dawson proved successful in two.

Croupy Children.
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EDITORIAL COMMENT.

In our issue of 31st December last, reviewing the trade of Hongkong in 1903, we wrote

in regard to shipping that no improvement could be looked for except in the event of war in the North. The war has come to pass, and with it the improvement predicted. During the last two months, local freights have advanced by leaps and bounds. The rise in rates has been phenomenal. This, in great measure, is due to the withdrawal of Japanese steamers. During the disturbed conditions that exist, and are likely to continue for some time, British shipping will benefit undoubtedly by reason of the withdrawal of competing steamers. Another factor in favour of improvement is the fact that the coasting trade of Japan has been thrown open to foreign steamers under time charter to Japanese.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Sultan of Kedah.
A telegram from Penang states that the Sultan of Kedah is ill. Dr Jamieson has been summoned to attend him and has left Penang in a special steamer.

Congratulations to Admiral Togo.
H. M. the Emperor of Japan sent a congratulatory address to Admiral Togo, Commander-in-Chief of the Japanese fleet, praising the bravery and loyalty of his officers and men in the third attack on Port Arthur.

Highland Light Infantry.
Major-General Sir H. J. T. Hildyard, K.C.B., has been selected for the Colony of the Highland Light Infantry, which fell vacant by the death of Lieut.-General W. K. McLeod, on December 29 last. It is only thirty-seven years since General Hildyard joined the Army, but it is nearly eight years longer since he commenced his public services, he having been in the Royal Navy from 1859 to 1864.

Self-Denial of Japanese.
The members of the Yokohama City Office agree not to purchase new silk clothes unless absolutely necessary, not to offer cakes, tobacco, aské, etc. to visitors, and not to ride in jirikishas, unless compelled by urgent business or on account of wind and rain. They are not to spend money on amusement and not to buy *bento* unless they have good reason. All this is done with the object of assisting the War Fund.

Earnest Volunteers.
A remarkable report is made by Admiral Togo to the Chief of the Naval Staff Department illustrating the earnestness of the men of his fleet who volunteered to man the doomed vessels intended for the harbour entrance of Port Arthur, there to be sunk. There were no less than two thousand volunteers for the work (says the *Kobe Chronicle*), which was carried out by seventy-seven, and some of these wrote their volunteering application in blood!

Japan's Supplementary Cruisers.
The *Toyo Kisen Kaisha* steamship *Ameria-maru* and the *Nippon Yusen Kaisha's Yacata-maru* were chartered by the Japanese Government as supplementary cruisers. It is now considered that as much damage has been done to the Russian fleet these supplementary vessels will not be required, and it is possible that the *Ameria-maru's* warlike dressing will be removed and the steamer returned to the Company for the resumption of the San Francisco-Manila run.

Japanese Election.
The Japanese general election was held on March 1. At Kobe (2,622 voters) the result was:—

Mr H. Kajima (Progressive)... 775
Mr S. Yamamoto (Constitutionalist)... 700
Mr T. Muratori (Independent)... 145
At Himeji, Mr M. Kanbe, Constitutionalist, was elected from among five candidates. This city has 455 voters, of whom 382 went to the poll. Mr Kanbe received 118 votes, the other candidates being—Mr M. Okamoto, 92 votes; Mr T. Machida, 78; Mr M. Yauchi, 67; and Mr K. Sunagawa, 29.

Gold Medal of Engineers.
At the first meeting of the present session of members of the Society of Engineers at the Royal United Service Institution, Mr J. Patton Barber, the outgoing President, presented the premiums awarded for papers read during the past year as follows:—The President's Gold Medal to Mr Douglas Mackenzie for his paper on 'Motor Transport for Goods'; the Bessemer Prize of Books to Mr Robert J. Thomas for his paper on 'Road Maintenance and Administration'; and a Society's Premium of Books to Mr Albert Gay for his paper on 'Mechanical Stokers for Electricity Generating Stations.'

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.
A proposal is on foot in Japan to amalgamate the *Kitah-ma* and *Japan Trading Banks*.

Mr O. Michelau (of Messrs Melchers and Co.) arrived at Tientsin on the 22nd ult., from Shanghai.

Nine foreign steamers have been chartered by the Nippon Yusen Kaisha to replace the vessels chartered from them by Japan.

The Russians were reported to be buying all the available flour at Tientsin on the 23rd ult., and sending it to Port Arthur via Newchwang. Isn't this a breach of neutrality on the part of somebody?

All the large ships on the China Station are in the harbour at present, and include the *Glory* (in dock), *Albion*, *Cressy*, *Leviathan*, *Ocean*, *Talbot*, *Amphitrite*, *Vengeance*, *Centurion* and *Sirius*. The new admiral, Sir Gerald U. Noel, will arrive on Friday next, and will be welcomed by all the fleet.

Mutineers Sentenced.
Corporals Ayala and Agapay, who were arrested in the Philippines in connection with the insurrection at Vigan, have been sentenced to death.

Claim for \$52,000.
The third day's hearing of the case, in which the National Bank of China sues Chan Lui Chui and another for \$52,000, was occupied by Mr Slade's address for the defence and evidence. The case is not yet concluded.

Libel Case.
The adjourned libel case, in which T. Ewens sued a number of Indian watchmen in the employ of the Dock Company, was resumed before Mr A. G. Wise, Puisne Judge, this morning. The taking of evidence occupied the whole day, and a further adjournment was made.

A Remarkable Capture.
A policeman, who went to investigate an alleged row at Manila, bumped against a native who was running towards him, and knocked him over. Noting that the man's face was cut, the policeman picked him up and took him to the station, where it was found that two women had been assaulted, one seriously. The runaway native is the husband of one of the women, and has been charged with the assault.

Blake Pier.
A correspondent who has had occasion to use Blake Pier, asks whether the pond, reservoir or liquid trap, situated there is intended for the public's convenience. We really cannot say, as we avoid that Pier as much as possible. There may be a difference of opinion between the D. P. W. and the Water Authority—the latter official being glad to see a collection of water anywhere in the Colony, at the present crisis.

Madame Candotti's Concert.
The farrow pianoforte recital and concert arranged for to-night at the City Hall, in which Madame Candotti and several of our local talent were to appear has been abandoned. The grand piano, lent by the Club Germania, has received damage which could not be repaired in time for to-night, and as the theatre will be engaged for Friday and Saturday nights, as well as later on, the concert had to be dispensed with. Those who have bought tickets can have their money refunded by calling at Robinson's Piano Warehouse.

The Imperial Service Medal.
The Imperial Service Medal has been conferred by the King upon Mr John Mark, who for upwards of 47 years was at the Government Small Arms Factory, Enfield Lock. For the last 17 years he was principal foreman of the machine gun manufacturing department, and made many improvements in the various machine guns of the Service, latterly introducing an invention in connection with the Maxim automatic quick-firing gun, for which he was granted a reward. He also invented the first magazine rifle that was issued to the British Army.

Tropical Medicine.
The prize in the gift of the *Journal of Tropical Medicine* for essays on subjects connected with tropical diseases have been awarded as follows: The Bellios Prize of £10, presented by the Mr E. R. Bellios, C.M.G., for the best article on 'The System of Drainage and Sewerage (Domestic and Municipal) Best Suited for Tropical Climates,' has been awarded to Captain J. W. Cornwall, I.M.S., and Major F. Smith, D.S.O., R.A.M.C., who divide the prize between them, the papers being adjudged of equal merit. The Lady MacGregor prize of £10 for the best article on 'A Critical Examination of the Practical Value of Anti-Typhoid Inoculation,' has been awarded to Major F. Smith, D.S.O., R.A.M.C. The Stewartry Prize of £10, presented by Sir James Stewartry, for the best essay on 'Intestinal Affections in Warm Climates,' was not awarded.

TELEGRAMS.

[CHINA MAIL'S SPECIAL SERVICE]

THE RUSSO-JAPANESE WAR.

VLADIVOSTOCK ATTACKED.

Lyddite Shells fall to Explode.

(From Our Special War Correspondent.)

TOKIO, March 8.

On Sunday afternoon, March 6, five Japanese men-of-war bombarded Vladivostok. The vessels were five miles distant when they opened fire on the town. In all, about two hundred lyddite shells were fired, the majority of which did not explode.

The Russians did not reply to the Japanese fire.

[CHINA MAIL'S EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]

SUPPLIED BY REUTER, THE DOMINION.

THE VLADIVOSTOCK SQUADRON.

Probable Naval Engagement.

LONDON, March 8.

It is believed that the Russian Vladivostok squadron was absent from the port when the Japanese bombarded it.

It is considered probable, therefore, that they will meet the Japanese squadron on their return, and will be compelled to give battle to them in the open sea.

THE ATTACK ON PORT ARTHUR.

In a description of the fight at Port Arthur on February 23, the *Kobe Chronicle* says that the advance of the *Hokoku-maru* to the entrance of Port Arthur showed the effect of the volunteers. Commander Hirose, in charge of the *Hokoku-maru*, advanced in face of a heavy fire from the enemy. He had reached the mouth of the harbour when his ship took fire and sank without the necessity of being scuttled. About this time, one of the subordinate officers, Kasai, was struck in the head. Another officer was also hit while at his station. The volunteers endeavoured to lower a boat, which, however, was soon rendered useless by shot. Another boat tried. This was also damaged, but the whole of the volunteers, sixteen in number, succeeded in putting away from the ship on the side which was not exposed, the vessel being between them and the fort. The boat was only made to hold ten men, but there was little wind, and the volunteers were lucky enough to have the protection of a projecting hill, which enabled them to escape the enemy's fire and to row to where the torpedo flotilla was waiting for them.

Originally it was reported that the expedition of transports to the entrance of Port Arthur was carried out without a single casualty, but with the lapse of time, correct statistics are obtainable. Admiral Togo now sends a report to the Navy Department notifying that in addition to the men of the volunteer crew of the *Hokoku-maru*, who were wounded, three in number, one man, belonging to the *Jinsen-maru*, was killed, this being the only fatality occurring in an expedition full of risks, when each boat was but a target for the shot of the enemy.

THE LAND CAMPAIGN.

First Encounter Near Pingyang.

An encounter is reported between the advance forces of the Japanese and Russian troops, the chief importance of which, so far as is known, lies in the fact of its being the first meeting of the belligerents on land.

The brush took place on Sunday morning (February 27) about half a mile to the north of Pingyang (says the *Kobe Chronicle*), the Russians being repulsed by the Japanese fire. Later information from another source states that the Japanese, knowing that Russian cavalry was advancing in the neighbourhood south of Apin, constantly sent scouting parties from the main body of Japanese in the town of Pingyang. At 9 o'clock on Sunday morning forty or fifty cavalrymen were observed outside the north gate of Pingyang. The Japanese behind the wall waited in ambush until the Russians had advanced to within seven hundred metres, when the infantry opened fire. For a short time the enemy replied, but finding the fire too strong, retreated. Seven hundred metres is the range of the Japanese rifle, but it is believed the enemy lost considerably in dead and wounded. No casualties occurred among the Japanese. Official news of this encounter has not yet been received.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

THE BOMBARDMENT OF VLADIVOSTOCK.

LONDON, March 7.

A published telegram from Admiral Alexiev transmitting the Commandant of Vladivostok's report ends abruptly with the words 'the enemy opened fire. Yesterday evening's messages, which are unofficial, estimate the bombardment to have cost £20,000 in shells, mostly 6 inch and 12 inch.

THE JAPANESE RELIEF FUND IN LONDON.

The fund in London for the widows and families of Japanese soldiers and sailors has reached £7,000.

THE WAR.

LONDON, March 7.
Russian scouts report that the Japanese who had landed in Pskain Bay are returning, in order to try a more practicable route towards Manchuria. The passes are blocked with avalanches.

CONTRABAND OF WAR.

Mr. Balfour says Russia's declaration that coal is contraband of war is of great importance, and that he is taking steps to obtain more precise information.

PROCEEDINGS AGAINST THE EDITOR OF THE 'CHINA TIMES.'

Earl Percy, sitting in the House of Commons, to Mr. Toulmin, said he approved of the action of Sir E. Sator in ordering proceedings to be taken against Mr. John Cowen, the Editor of the *China Times*, which had quoted certain defamatory articles against Russia.

TELEGRAMS.

[CHINA MAIL'S EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]
SUPPLIED BY WIRELESS, VIA HONGKONG.
THE ADEN HINTERLAND.

BRITISH OFFICER MURDERED.

LONDON, March 8.
Captain Warneford, Assistant Political Agent, was shot at and killed by an Arab in the Aden Hinterland on the 3rd instant.

[Captain Gonville Warneford was born in 1871, and was appointed second lieutenant in the Wiltshire Rifles in 1891. He was promoted to the rank of lieutenant two years later, and went out to India in 1893. He became captain in 1901.—Ed., C.M.]

GREAT FIRE AT PENANG.

DAMAGES—\$350,000.

Two Persons Injured.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
SINGAPORE, March 9, 2.50 p.m.

A serious fire occurred at Penang last night, a block of buildings in Beach Street being completely gutted. The damage is estimated at approximately \$350,000.

Two persons were injured.

THE FIFTH TEST MATCH.

The Australians Win Easily.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
MELBOURNE, March 8, 5.45 p.m.

The Englishmen added twenty-five runs to their score of seven wickets for 26, before the innings closed. They took two more wickets.

The Australians opened badly in the second innings, and had wickets for the first three wickets falling for thirteen runs. Their bowling was almost unplayable, and the side was out for 131.

The Englishmen did not find any improvement in the wicket when they entered upon their second innings to get 380 runs to save defeat. Hayward, the Surrey crick, who has done so well during the tour, was ill and unable to bat, and Trumble, with a wicket to suit him, puzzled the batsmen, and came out with a fine analysis.

England was dismissed for 101 and Australia thus won by 214 runs.

The following were the scores:

AUSTRALIA—First Innings.	
First Innings	
Kelly	29
Hobbs	18
Noble	19
Dool	31
Hopkins, not out	25
Other Batsmen and Sundries	22
Total	133

ENGLAND—First Innings.	
First Innings	
Rhodes	3
Warner	1
Tyldesley	10
Foster	18
Bosquet	16
Lilly, not out	6
Other Batsmen and Sundries	7
Total	61

Second Innings.	
Foster	30
Tyldesley	15
Arnold	19
Rhodes, not out	16
Other Batsmen and Sundries	21
Total	101

BOWLING ANALYSIS.

AUSTRALIA—First Innings.

Bowler	Wkts.	Runs.	Avg.
Braund	8	81	10.1
Rhodes	1	41	41
Arnold	1	46	46

AUSTRALIA—Second Innings.

Bowler	Wkts.	Runs.	Avg.
Hirst	5	45	9.0
Rhodes	2	52	26.0
Arnold	2	23	11.5

ENGLAND—First Innings.

Bowler	Wkts.	Runs.	Avg.
Cotter	6	40	6.4
Noble	4	19	4.3

ENGLAND—Second Innings.

Bowler	Wkts.	Runs.	Avg.
Trumble	7	28	4.0

The following are the individual batting and bowling averages of the English team up to the third test match:—

Batter	TI.	Runs.	Avg.
R. E. Foster	...	550	69.37
T. Hayward	...	427	47.44
G. H. Hirst	...	388	46.61
J. T. Tyldesley	...	402	44.68
F. Warner	...	380	34.54
L. C. Braund	...	280	28.77
E. J. T. Bosquet	...	188	23.57
A. E. Knight	...	120	24.00
E. Arnold	...	114	22.80
A. E. Relf	...	117	19.50
A. A. Lilly	...	132	13.20
W. Rhodes	...	78	15.60
A. Fielder	...	30	10.00
Strudwick has batted once for 17 runs.			
Bowler	Runs.	Wkts.	Avg.
W. Rhodes	...	655	49
A. Fielder	...	192	9
E. Arnold	...	594	25
L. C. Braund	...	302	15
A. E. Relf	...	197	7
G. H. Hirst	...	402	14
B. J. T. Bosquet	...	620	17

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BOXING CONTEST.

DISGRACEFUL SCENES AT THE CITY HALL.

The Police Stop a Contest.

One of the most disgraceful scenes ever witnessed in a Theatre in Hongkong was seen last night at the City Hall, at the boxing contest between C. C. St. Clair, described as the Middle-weight Champion of Brooklyn, U. S. A., and D. Morgan, of the *Vengeance*, Heavy-weight Champion of the China Station.

After two preliminary bouts, in one of which Clarke defeated Griffin in ten rounds, and in the other Lacey again fought a draw for the Pantam-weight Championship of the China Station, the principals of the main event were called on. Morgan was the first to enter the ring, followed by his attendants, and after a short interval, St. Clair entered. Morgan looked the picture of health, and his muscles stood out prominently showing the fine training he had undergone to prepare himself for the contest. St. Clair, on the other hand, seemed flabby, and it seemed as though he fancied his opponent was so puffy that he could afford to do without training. Subsequent events showed that he had made a fatal mistake. Mr. Ryan acted as referee, and calling the two principals together he explained to them the conditions of the fight. Both men had agreed to hit in clinches, if one hand was free, and it was this stipulation that caused the trouble that arose later on.

As soon as time was called, both men jumped at each other, and it was seen that a hot fight was to be served up. A couple of clinches took place, and then Morgan landed a left on St. Clair's face, and in a second St. Clair was sent to the ground, but not by a direct hit. Upon reaching his feet, St. Clair was forced to the ropes, where a couple of light exchanges were delivered. St. Clair swung wildly, and forced Morgan to retreat to the ropes, where the latter cleverly evaded the swinging blows and clinched.

Morgan rushed from his chair when the second round was called, and scored three blows in succession, two lefts and a right. He was making St. Clair look like a second rate fighter, and a poor one at that. The latter clinched to save himself, and on breaking away swung wildly. A short spar followed, and Morgan closed on St. Clair, but no damage was done.

St. Clair led a left swing, but Morgan ducked and planted a straight left-hand punch on the former's jaw, bringing the blood. This blow staggered St. Clair, who rushed in again, only to be sent to the floor. He rose again, and Morgan scored with a left, crossing with a stinging right on St. Clair's face, which burst the cheek. St. Clair clinched, and after breaking away, he put in a hard short-arm punch in Morgan's stomach, which was repulsed by Morgan, who landed two blows on the cheek. St. Clair swung, and landed two rights on the neck, but neither did any damage. The two men stood up to each other and slugged away, Morgan dropping his opponent with a right. The men were tussling in the centre of the ring, when a roar went up from the audience. "Foul, foul," was shouted, and Ryan separated the two men, after some difficulty.

Morgan stepped back, and a scuffle took place between the referee and St. Clair, who seemed to strike each other. One of St. Clair's seconds pulled his man back, and Morgan's second jumped into the ring. The crowd were in a state bordering upon madness. Such a scene had never been seen before in a theatre in Hongkong. The audience, composed mainly of blue-jackets, stood up in their seats, and cheered alternately. It seemed as though the fight was stopped, but Ryan allowed it to go on. He continually warned Morgan, but for what reason was not stated. Morgan seemed to be fighting a very fair fight, as he always does, while his seconds continually claimed fouls against St. Clair. After the hubbub had subsided somewhat, the men fought on, and time was called amid general uproar.

In the fourth round, Morgan was forced to his knees in a scuffle, but rose at once and landed a left on the neck and a right on the jaw, which opened St. Clair's already bleeding cheek. Morgan was again rushed down, and the referee again cautioned him. A right which sent the blood flying from St. Clair's mouth was followed by a left in the neck. St. Clair claimed a foul for hitting in clinches, but it was rightly disallowed. Morgan again scored with his right, knocking St. Clair down with a downward chop on the head. On rising, St. Clair met Morgan's left in the face, and Morgan was again cautioned. Morgan seemed to be fighting as fair a battle as his opponent, and certainly did not take advantage of St. Clair in clinches.

St. Clair came up for the fifth round, looking very weak, and Morgan had difficulty in scoring left and right on his face. Morgan seemed all over St. Clair in this round, scoring to place his blows where he liked. St. Clair clinched and hung on to avoid punishment, but his adversary shook him off each time. St. Clair then swung two lefts which landed on Morgan's body, and he scored a right in the back.

The sixth and last round was opened by St. Clair laying down to a light blow. On rising, he received another left, and ran across the ring, falling on to his hands and knees in the corner. The crowd were shouting St. Clair for his tactics, and a perfect uproar was made when, immediately after, St. Clair was a clinch seemed to try to throw Morgan. The latter and his seconds called "foul," and Morgan lifted both his hands above his head in token of appeal. St. Clair saw his chance, and throwing all civility to the winds, he swung a right swing into Morgan's unprotected stomach, following it up by two rights on the head. It certainly was not a foul in the strictest sense of the term, but it was the most cowardly blow struck on a platform in Hongkong.

The crowd roared their dissent at this act; seconds jumped into the ring; and then, like the Gordon Highlanders storming Dargai Heights, the infuriated blue-jackets in the stalls rushed the stage. Matters looked very bad for St. Clair, as the blue-jackets clambered up, but the police jumped into the ring and called for order. The naval men were amenable to reason, and when the referee announced that the police had stopped the fight, mingled cheering and hooting went up.

Such a fight as this proved to be brings nothing but discredit upon the game of boxing, and the principals have only themselves to blame. Almost from the commencement of the fight fouls seemed to be frequent, and Referee Ryan continually warned the wrong man. Instead of cautioning St. Clair, he focused all his attention on Morgan, who fights very fairly. On one occasion, when Morgan's second entered the ring while a round was in progress, Ryan took no notice, whereas under the rules of boxing he should have awarded the fight to St. Clair for that breach of the rules.

CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP CO., LIMITED.

The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders at the twenty-first ordinary general meeting to be held at the office of the general managers, on Saturday, 19th inst., at 11 a.m.:

Annexed we beg to submit to Shareholders the usual Annual Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1903, showing a Debit Balance of \$63,123.66 to be carried forward to new account.

The past year has been the most severe in the history of the Company, and the report is to a corresponding degree unattractive. Competition has been keen and the earnings, especially from Manila have greatly fallen away. The *Diamond* was sold, as recorded in last year's report, and the profit on her book value placed to Profit and Loss. No provision has been made for depreciation on the present fleet, which consists now of the *Zafra*, *Indi*, and *Perla*, but they are all in first-class order.

Of the increased capital of 10,000 shares authorised December 28th, 1901, four thousand two hundred and seventy-five (4,275) have been applied for and fully paid up. A small number, on which the first calls only had been paid, were declared forfeited, and these are now the property of the Company.

Consolidating Committee.—In accordance with the Articles of Association, Messrs N. A. Siebs, D. E. Brown and J. H. Lewis retire, but offer themselves for re-election. Mr. A. V. Apar has been invited to join the Board, and his appointment requires confirmation.

Auditors.—The Accounts have been audited by Messrs T. Arnold and W. E. Potts, who are recommended for re-election.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 9th March, 1904.

JEWIS IN CHINA.

The Society for their Rescue.

The following is the Report of The Society for the Rescue of the Chinese Jews.

It is with extreme regret that the death of the esteemed and beloved President of the Society ever since its formation, Mr. Lewis Moore, is to be recorded. He has always taken a very keen interest in the welfare of the Chinese Jews. Another regrettable incident has also happened since the date of the last General Meeting. Mr. Li King-son, who was the first native Jew to come to Shanghai in 1900, died on Tuesday, the 11th Ab., 6663 (4th August, 1903). He was given a Jewish burial and buried in the Jewish cemetery. Several members of the Jewish Community attended his funeral. It was then discovered that he bore a striking resemblance to the portrait of the late President of the Society, and it was suggested that he should be buried in the same place as the late President.

It is due to various causes, but principally to want of sufficient funds at the disposal of the Committee, that the sending of a mission to Kaifeng for the purpose of obtaining trustworthy and reliable information, which they had in view since the formation of the Society, had not yet come to pass.

A co-religionist in the north of China, has negotiated the Committee of his intention to take a trip to Kaifeng, as soon as business duties permit him to do so, and visit the Chinese Jews for the purpose of obtaining trustworthy and reliable information, which they had in view since the formation of the Society, had not yet come to pass.

Since the death of Li King-son, two of the native Jews went back to their homes, and we have now with us six of them. They are attending the Shanghai Jewish School and studying Hebrew and English. Several attempts have been made to obtain employment for some of them, which did not prove successful, owing to their insufficient knowledge of the local dialect or English. If no further help is received in the future, these six native Jews will have to be sent back to their homes, as the balance of the fund now in hand will not go very far in maintaining and educating them much longer.

SIMON A. LEVY, Vice-President.

The appended accounts show receipts, including \$5.00 brought forward, amounting to \$2,070.83. The expenditure amounted to \$1,649.93, leaving a balance in hand of \$420.90, in addition to \$162 in course of collection.

"Well," said Tom, sleepily to his roommate, "did you solve that puzzle?" "No," snapped Dick, "as he got ready for bed. 'Huh! You said you'd solve it if you had to stay up all night to do it.' Well, I didn't have to stay up all night. This is a free country!"

CORRESPONDENCE.

AN APPEAL.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL,"
St. Paul's College,
HONGKONG, March 9.

DEAR SIR.—If any of your readers who are thinking of going home will send me their old tennis racket for the use of the boys of this College, I shall be most grateful.

We are always in need of balls of all kinds, hard or soft. I shall be most glad to receive any that may be sent to me.—Yours faithfully,
G. A. BUNBURY.

GEO. FENWICK AND COMPANY, LIMITED.

General Meeting.

The fifteenth ordinary general meeting of Messrs Geo. Fenwick and Company, limited, was held at the Hongkong Hotel at noon to-day.

Mr. A. Rodger was in the Chair, and there were also present:—Messrs Hart Buck, W. Parlane, J. Rodger, W. King, W. H. Purcell, S. J. Michael, and W. G. Winterburn, Secretary.

After the Secretary read the notice convening the meeting, the Chairman said:—Gentlemen, Following the customary procedure, we will, with your permission, take the report and statement of accounts as read, seeing that they have been in your hands for several days. Your Directors hope that you consider the year's working satisfactory, and that the proposed division of profits meets with your approval. We have been enabled to add another \$5,000 to the Reserve Fund, which now stands at the substantial figure of \$70,000. The item, "Sundry Debtors," appears at a much higher sum than usual, viz., \$50,938.83. Since December 31st, however, about \$46,000 of this has been collected, and the balance we expect to come in, in due course.

On the other hand, the whole of the "Sundry Creditors" has been paid. You will also notice that 10 per cent has been written off the stock-in-trade; this we considered a prudent measure, in view of the rise in exchange tending to depreciate the dollar value of our materials. We have been kept fully employed during the year, and on many occasions had to work night and day in order to get the work executed in time. This remark especially applies to ship repairing, and I am glad to say that we appear to have given satisfaction to all concerned. In shore work, we have had a fair share, more especially structural engineering, and house work, such as hot water installation—a branch we have had considerable experience in during the year. The Launches, machinery and property have been kept in good order, and a number of new machine tools added. In May last, Mr. W. Parlane, who had served on the Directorate since the change of Articles of Association in 1896, and prior to that as a member of the Consulting Committee, being ordered home by his medical adviser, resigned his position. Mr. Hart Buck was asked and consented to occupy the seat. The latter gentleman, being about to leave the Colony, finds it necessary to resign and Mr. Parlane consents to rejoin the Board, subject to the approval of this meeting. Before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, I shall be glad to answer any question relating thereto the best of ability.

There being no questions, the Chairman proposed the adoption of the report and statement of accounts as submitted. Mr. Purcell—I have much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the report and statement of accounts. I don't think I can say anything more after your speech on the subject, except to congratulate the shareholders for possessing such a valuable property. I think we have every reason to be quite satisfied with the report. I am a very old shareholder and I have every confidence in the Directors and Manager for looking after my interests, and I do not see any reason for altering my position. We have earned enough to pay a larger dividend, but I suppose that, with the expenses of the future looming up, and other expenses coming on, it would not be advisable to pay a bigger dividend for this year. I second the adoption of the report and statement of accounts and hope the good results will continue.

The motion was carried unanimously. The appointment of Mr. W. Parlane to the Directorate, vice Mr. Hart Buck, resigned, was confirmed, on the motion of J. Rodger, seconded by Mr. Michael, and he was elected for the ensuing year. Mr. King proposed, Mr. Hart Buck seconded, and it was carried that Mr. T. Arnold be re-elected Auditor for the next year. The Chairman—That is all the business. I thank you for your attendance, gentlemen. Dividend warrants will be sent out to-morrow.

To-day's Advertisements

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A PARTNER is required for an Establishment Professional Business, good English necessary. An investment of \$5,000 would realise a good monthly profit with absolute safety; all cash dealings, no credit. Suit Lady or Gentleman.
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Care of "CHINA MAIL" Office.
Hongkong, March 9, 1904. 457

NOTICE.

THE following Articles FOUND at Government House after the Ball on 3rd and 25th February, are still unclaimed:—

- 1 SMALL FEATHER FAN.
- 1 PR. LADY'S WHITE KID GLOVES.
- 2 BLACK VEILS.
- 1 WHITE VEIL.
- 1 KNITTED CLOTH.
- 1 LADY'S HANDBAGGINT INTAILED M.
- 1 SMALL JAPANESE FAN.
- 1 PR. WHITE CLOTH GLOVES.
- 1 SMALL GOLD BROOCH.
- 1 GOLD STUP.

M. R. HURLEY, Capt., A.D.C.

Hongkong, March 9, 1904. 471

NOTICE.

MADAME CANDOTTI is very sorry to announce that the CONCERT TO-NIGHT CANNOT TAKE PLACE, owing to the breakdown which occurred to the Grand Piano.

Mr. Westerman (pianobuilder and tuner) declares it impossible to repair the damages done to the piano for to-night, therefore the Concert cannot take place. The money for the booked tickets will be refunded.

Hongkong, March 9, 1904. 468

To-day's Advertisements

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.
WITH Reference to Government Notification No. 146 of the 2nd instant, it is hereby notified that the GUN PRACICES therein notified will not take place until the dates mentioned below:—

Stonescutters, South Shore, 15th March, 1904, instead of 9th March, 1904.
Stonescutters, West and South Shore, 14th March, 1904, instead of 11th March, 1904.
Lyemum, Sywan and Pak She Wan, 16th March, 1904, instead of 12th March, 1904.
By Command,
A. M. THOMSON,
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, March 8, 1904. 464

1904-05.
SEALED Tenders in duplicate will be received at the R.N. HOSPITAL until 10 a.m. on the 18th March, 1904, from persons desirous of supplying BEEF, MUTTON, FOWLS, and other provisions for the year ending 31st March, 1905.

Sealed Tenders in duplicate will also be received for COAL (Alake and Yuhari). Printed Forms of Tender and further particulars can be obtained at the R.N. Hospital.

The right to reject the lowest or any Tender is reserved.
(Sgd.) W. B. DREW,
Dep. Insp. Genl.

R.N. Hospital,
Hongkong, March 9, 1904. 459

PUBLIC AUCTION.

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction, to be held on Monday, the 14th day of March, 1904, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government, of One Lot of Crown Land at Shau-Ki-Wan, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

Particulars of the Lot.

Boundary Measure.	Area.	Area.	Area.	Area.	Area.	Area.	Area.	Area.	Area.
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Shau-Ki-Wan Lot 403.	82	05	95	89	7,700	04	2,537		

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Particulars of the Lot.

Boundary Measure.	Area.	Area.	Area.	Area.	Area.	Area.	Area.	Area.	Area.
ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.
Kowloon Lot 1154.	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

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TO LET.

FROM 1st JUNE, 1904.

THE Residence "ROCKLANDS," ROBINSON ROAD. Standing in its own grounds. Entrances both from ROBINSON ROAD and CONDUIT ROAD. Apply

Care of "CHINA MAIL" Office.
Hongkong, March 9, 1904. 463

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS POSTES FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON.

MAYRE, BORDEAUX.

PORTS OF BRAZIL & RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 22nd March, 1904,

at 1 p.m., the Company's Steamship SYDNEY, Captain BLAIR, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES, Via Ports of Call, WITHOUT TRANS-SHIPMENT.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon only on MONDAY, the 21st March. Specie and Parcels received until 4 p.m. on the same day. No Cargo will be received on board on TUESDAY.

Shipping.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP
NAVIGATION COMPANY

WILL dispatch VESSELS to the Undermentioned PORTS on the DATE

named for	STEAMERS	TO SAIL ON	REMARKS
YAMA, Via SHAI, MOJI & KOBÉ (passing through the INLAND SEA).	Malacca A. F. STREET	About 11th March.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, &c.	Coromandel J. M. MONTFORD, R.N.R.	Noon, 12th March.	See Special Advertisement
SHANGHAI.	Swala F. R. SUMNER	About 12th March.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON & ANTWERP, Via SPORE, PANG, CUBO, POER SAID & MANRILLAS.	Borneo G. W. GORDON, R.N.R.	About 17th March.	Freight and Passage.

For further Particulars, apply to E. A. HEWITT, Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, March 9, 1904.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

OSTASTATISCHER FRACHTDAMPFER DIENST.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

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Call at SINGAPORE and PENANG.

R.R. Rumburgh, 21st March, 1904. Freight.

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R.R. Rumburgh, 22nd March, 1904. Freight.

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

Call at SINGAPORE and COLUMBO.

R.R. Rumburgh, 5th April, 1904. Freight.

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

Call at SINGAPORE and COLUMBO.

R.R. Rumburgh, 10th April, 1904. Freight.

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

Call at SINGAPORE and PENANG.

R.R. Rumburgh, 19th April, 1904. Freight.

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

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OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	NINCHOW	22nd March.	
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	ANTONOR	24th March.	
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	OPACK	31st March.	
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	JARON	6th April.	
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	ACHILLES	10th April.	

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
LONDON & ANTWERP	ALAN	15th March.	
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	GLAUCUS	15th March.	
LONDON & ANTWERP	PARLON	29th March.	
LONDON & ANTWERP	MACLON	13th April.	
* GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL	ROMULUS	20th April.	
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CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
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MANILA	Kaifong	Mar. 12, at Noon.	
SHANGHAI	Kwangse	11th March.	
KOBÉ	Chingfu	21st March.	
PT. DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, OAKINS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	Chingfu	8th April.	

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

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ROON	WEDNESDAY, 18th Mar.
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY, 30th Mar.
HAMBURG	WEDNESDAY, 13th April.
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY, 27th April.
OLDENBURG	WEDNESDAY, 11th May.
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY, 25th May.
SAARSEN	WEDNESDAY, 8th June.
ZIEHN	WEDNESDAY, 22nd June.
SEYDLITZ	WEDNESDAY, 6th July.

* Steamers of the Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 16th day of March, 1904, at Noon, the Steamship ROON, Captain G. MEYER, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and GENOA. Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon, on MONDAY, the 14th inst., and Specie will be received on Board until 5 p.m., on TUESDAY, the 15th inst., and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon, on TUESDAY, the 15th inst.

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VICTORIA B.O. AND TACOMA

VIA

SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBÉ AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamers	Tons	Captains	To Sail
VICTORIA	3603	J. Truebridge	March 16.
TRENTON	3608	T. W. Garlick	March 23.
OLYMPIA	2837	A. Dixon	April 27.
LYRA	4417	G. V. Williams	May 4.
TACOMA	2312	M. Ridley	May 13.
SHAWMUT	3608	W. M. Smith	May 21.

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CHINA AND MANILA
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Steamship	Tons	Captains	For	Sailing Date
ZAFIRO	2540	R. Rodger	Manila Direct	Mar. 12, at 10 a.m.
RUBI	2540	R. W. Almond	"	Mar. 12, at 10 a.m.
PERLA	1980	A. H. Notley	"	"

For Freight or Passage, apply to

Shewan, Tomes & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, March 5, 1904.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBÉ.

THE Steamship SAXONIA, Captain BREMER, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 10th inst., at 4 p.m.

For Freight, apply to HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, March 3, 1904.

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Hongkong, March 8, 1904.

STEAMSHIP SERVICE TO NEW YORK, via SUEZ CANAL.

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THE Steamship KENNEDY, Captain Geo. R. WALLACE, will be despatched on or about TUESDAY, the 23rd March, 1904.

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Oriental Freight Department, Hongkong, March 1, 1904.

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Notices to Consignees.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship Saxonia, Capt. BREMER, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter signature by the Undersigned and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before To-day.

Any Cargo impeding her discharge will be landed into the Godowns of the HONGKONG and KOWLOON WHARF and GODOWN COMPANY, Limited, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 15th inst., will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 15th inst., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, March 8, 1904.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship Arratoon Ayeer, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

